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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIROYUKI SUGIUCHI) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: N/Y/A) Group Art Unit: N/Y/A
Filed: Currently herewith)
For: METHOD FOR FRACTIONAL)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to action on the merits, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the paragraph starting at page 15,
line 15 and ending at page 15, line 22 with the following
replacement paragraph as follows. A marked-up copy of this
section, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

As the surfactant for activating the CH enzymes,
anionic surfactants are used, e.g., at a concentration of 0 to